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FM AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 3134

INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMEMBASSY MAPUTO

AMEMBASSY ROME

AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

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DEPARTMENT PASS TO NADINE JACOBSEN, EXEC ASST TO SENATOR PERCY

EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: OREP (PERCY, CHARLES)

SUBJECT: CODEL PERCY

REF: STATE 087608, LUSAKA 0860

1. POST UNDERSTANDING OF SENATOR PERCY'S INABILITY TO RESCHEDULE LUSAKA VISIT. WE WILL DO BEST WE CAN UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES TO ARRANGE MEANINGFUL SCHEDULE IN ZAMBIA FOR CODEL. IN THIS CONNECTION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING SOONEST CODEL'S REACTION TO SUGGESTED SCHEDULE BELOW.

2. SUGGESTED SCHEDULE FOR LUSAKA:

APR 16 1750 ARRIVE LUSAKA ON QZ 515. WILL BE MET BY

AMBASSADOR AND VISIT CONTROL OFFICER

CHARLES STEN.

PROCEED DIRECTLY TO AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

FOR INFORMAL BRIEFING WITH EMBASSY STAFF OVER

DRINKS.

BAGGAGE WILL BE TAKEN DIRECTLY TO HOTEL AND

DEPOSITED IN ROOMS.

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2000 PROCEED TO HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL FOR DINNER

WITH OFFICIALS OF NAMIBIA INSTITUTE AND/OR
OFFICIALS OF SWAPO (TO BE CONFIRMED).

APR 17 0730 LEAVE HOTEL FOR LUSAKA AIRPORT

0830 DEPART LUSAKA ON QZ 440 FOR LIVINGSTONE

0950 ARRIVE LIVINGSTONE. DRIVE UOAMTEL MUSI-O-TUNYA
TO VIEW VICTORIA FALLS. LUNCH AT HOTEL.
VISIT LIVINGSTONE MUSEUM.

1500 LEAVE LIVINGSTONE ON QZ 449

1620 ARRIVE LUSAKA AIRPORT. RETURN TO HOTEL INTER-
CONTINENTAL.

FREE TIME.

MEETING WITH ANY ZAMBIAN OFFICIALS, REMAINING
IN LUSAKA OVER EASTER WEEKEND, IDENTITY NOT YET
DETERMINED (WILL BE CONFIRMED).

APR 18 FREE TIME

1230 CODEL INVITED TO ATTEND INFORMAL EASTER
COOK-OUT AT DCM RESIDENCE FOR EMBASSY STAFF
AND THEIR FAMILIES.

REMAINDER OF AFTERNOON FREE.

1800 LEAVE HOTEL FOR LUSAKA AIRPORT

1915 DEPART LUSAKA ON TM 521

3. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH OFFICIALS OF ZAMBIA'S TWO
COPPER MINING COMPANIES ABOUT POSSIBLE VISIT TO COPPERBELT
BUT HAVE BEEN FORCED TO DROP THIS ALTERNATIVE BECAUSE THIS
IS ONE OF ONLY TWO TIMES IN YEAR WHEN MINES ARE SHUT DOWN TO
GIVE WORKERS TWO DAYS' HOLIDAY.

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4. WE CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT FEASIBILITY OF CODEL
DEPARTURE FOR MAPUTO ON TM 521 AS PROPOSED. THIS PLANE MAKES
ONLY BRIEF TECHNICAL STOP IN LUSAKA AND SPECIAL PERMISSION
NEEDS TO BE OBTAINED FROM MAPUTO HEADQUARTERS OF DETA FOR
CODEL TO BOARD IN LUSAKA. WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE ANY PARTICULAR
DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING ZAMBIAN GOVT PERMISSION BUT WOULD
APPRECIATE AN EFFORT BY EMB MAPUTO IN CONTACTING DETA AIRLINE
OFFICES THERE RE POSSIBILITY OF CONFIRMING CODEL ABOARD THIS

FLIGHT OUT OF LUSAKA. OUR EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN THAT TM 521 FLIGHTS ON LUANDA-MAPUTO RUN NOT ALWAYS RELIABLE AND CAN SOMETIMES BE DELAYED UP TO DAY OR MORE. REQUEST EMB MAPUTO COMMENTS.

5. AS ALTERNATIVE TO TM 521 FLIGHT, WE HAVE INVESTIGATED POSSIBILITY OF CHARTERING AIRCRAFT FOR CODEL FROM LUSAKA TO MAPUTO ON SUNDAY, APR 18, OR EARLY MORNING MONDAY, APR 19. LEAR JET AVAILABLE AT RENTAL OF APPROX

DOLS 6400 FROM LUSAKA TO MAPUTO. FFGHT TIME TWO HOURS FIFTEEN MINUTES. BEEHCRAFT BARON ALSO AVAILABLE FOR CHARTER FOR APPOX DOLS 2650 TO 2800 BUT IS SLOWER AND WOULD REQUIRE FOUR HOURS TO MAKE TRIP. STILL ANOTHER POSSIBILITY IS CHARTER (LEAR JET DOLS 1560, BEEHCRAFT DOLS 1250) OR COMMERCIAL FLIGHT TO BLANTYRE WITH ONWARD ARRANGEMENTS TO MAPUTO FROM THERE. REQUEST EMB LILONGWE COMMENTS ON FLIGHTS FROM BLANTYRE TO MAPUTO. ZAMBIAN AIRWAYS HAS QZ 614 DEPARTING LUSAKA 1010 SUNDAY MONRING ARRIVING BLANTYRE 1230 AND QZ 526 ON MONDAY AT 1110 ARRIVING BLANTYRE 1220. CODEL REQUESTED ADVISE LUSAKA AND LILONGWE IF INTERESTED IN EITHER CHARTER TO MAPUTO OR BLANTYRE AND IF LATTER RESERVATIONS FROM THERE TO MAPUTO.
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